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Who Is Keeping The Gospel From Our Boys And Girls In The Armed Forces?

By HOMER RODEHEAVER

What is the matter with the Protestants today? Why so few tests? Why so few [illegible] evangelistic efforts? Why so little publicity for the little that is being done?

Some may say, "We have had good publicity in our town and have had a revival."

That is fine, but have you seen any national publicity of any Protestant efforts? You hardly open a paper or magazine that you do not see publicity concerning the efforts of our Roman Catholic friends. Why should Protestants sit back and do nothing when they are a majority and the group that should be leading in this emergency?

The greatest need is among the teenage youngsters. All reports of F.B.I. and police departments say they are running wild as never before. The first and greatest reason is the lack of religious training in the homes and the bad example given them by the oldsters. Inherently they are as fine as any generation of youngsters. They did not create the society and conditions in which they live. [illegible] produce the moving pictures that teach crime methods to many of them. We oldsters have to shoulder the blame for that.

WILD CHILDREN

What are you doing to correct it? Thousands of dollars have been and are being spent for social centers for soldiers. They have discipline enforced. Very little is being done for the children. They have no discipline or regulation. They are running wild on the streets, copying all the bad habits of men and women, and none of the good.

We need some Protestants and some promoters. Why not a few social centers for the teen-age children too?

Yes, we do have a lot of fine chaplains but only *a few* are evangelistic. You hear fine reports of their work, but when compared with the possibilities it is not a "drop in the bucket." The chaplains are not allowed to make reports to the public but sometime ago a three months' report was printed in a Southern paper: Church attendance — 9,345,197; Services held—180,759, including outdoor mass meetings.

That means an average attendance, including the mass meetings, of less than 52. The chapels seat around 300.

We know that because of their early training the Roman Catholic boys crowd their chapels;

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Chilton's Corner

WHEN JOHNNY COMES MARCHING HOME

In the issue of January 2, we closed our column with the word "LOST". It is this word that was conspicuous in the vocabulary of Jesus. "I am come to seek and to save that which was lost." This reveals the divine picture — the picture of the lostness of men. It is [illegible] imperative, if the [illegible] ready when Johnny [illegible] home. Lost [illegible] and [illegible] like children [illegible] the [illegible] be found [illegible] at church.

The divine picture, however, brings us to the divine provision. "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." The sounding [illegible] of this message is the only thing that can provide justification for our existence. One thing and one thing only can place the stamp of divine authority upon our mission and that is the proclamation of this message. The Christian Church will address returning youth with conviction and power only as she comes in the role of the Herald of the "Glad tidings of great joy." This, and this alone can supply the conviction that the Church alone has the word of life and of peace. The [illegible] (having come from the horrors of the battlefield) will give attentive ear to the Church as she is able to bring the [illegible] News of Sins Forgiven; of [illegible] Subdued and Peace with [illegible]."

If there is one thing that stands out above all others, it is this: the utter inadequacy of the ethical code of conduct. To men who are "dead in trespasses and sins" it is folly to say: "Do this and live." This is but to throw in their teeth the horror and mockery of their personal and social failure. "Do this?" Who is doing it? And who has done it? And who can do it apart from redeeming grace? We need more than desire; we need dynamic. We need more than principle; we need passion. We need more than [illegible]; we need enthusiasm. Outside of grace, we say with the Apostle Paul: "When the commandment came, sin revived and I died."

I always recall the story told by J. Morgan Gibbon of a friend of his belonging to the most advanced school of liberal theology. This friend was called upon to go and visit a dying man in one of the poorest streets of one of the great cities in England. He found the man very ill and in dire poverty. The room was lacking of the barest necessities of life; it was destitute of human comfort. The poor fellow was lying upon a dirty mattress of straw. A candle was stuck in the neck of a bottle, and a broken chair stood by the bed. "What can I do for you?" said the minister to the dying man. "I want only one thing, the forgiveness of my sin." The minister's eyes roamed round the room and took in this picture of abject poverty and distress, and the dying man ignores all these things as mere trifles. He was beyond the reach of man's help or harm. He was independent of wealth and all the paltry things that men strive for. One supreme need stood out above all the rest, and scared all the lesser ones away. "I want only one thing, the forgiveness of my sin." "Now, just what can one do in such circumstances?" says [illegible]. There is but one thing [illegible] is but one answer: "Jesus

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"Christ For America" Plans Two February City-Wide Drives

One hundred churches in Cleveland, Ohio, are uniting in a tremendous Gospel movement to reach the million or more people of that metropolis in a city-wide campaign beginning Feb. 11 and running through to March 11. Under the guidance of the CHRIST FOR AMERICA Movement preparations have gone forward for nearly a year and as a result of much prayer a fine revival and co-operative spirit exists among these ministers and their churches.

Energetic George A. Bates, pastor of the Nottingham Baptist Church is the general chairman with Clifton J. Robinson as secretary-treasurer, and a representative committee is well established. The large Public Auditorium at Cleveland has been engaged and Evangelist John R. Rice will lead the campaign with Stratton Shufelt as song leader.

God has turned discouragements into triumphs at Cleveland [illegible] been held, chief among which

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CAN WE MAKE IT?

The Columbus Convention of last Spring adopted a budget of $75,000 to cover the minimum needs of N. A. E. during the thirteen months between conventions. Nine and a half months have expired. We still have three and a half months to go. With little cash in the treasury and eight thousand dollars in pledges believed to be good, we are in need of approximately $35,000 in new gifts during this remaining period. Viewed from the standpoint of human probabilities it would seem a difficult hurdle but we have this testimony to date: "There hath not failed one word of all his good promise." Time and time again we have come to the end of our resources and God has always caused His faithful stewards to remember the need at the right moment.

The purpose of this editorial is to remind all our friends to make the need a subject of prayer at this time. We are doing a real work for the Lord. The results are increasingly evident from week to week. The conferences on evangelism are in full swing with splendid results. The Commission for Church Schools has completed an important task in writing the outline for uniform graded lessons for use in "released time" schools.

Our mission office is having a remarkable record of achievement in helping missionaries to their fields of labor. Our War Relief work is swinging into larger action. Important news regarding radio will break within the next few weeks. We are getting set for a most valuable task in the field of industrial chaplaincies.

New committees are being organized and older [illegible] in prospect. God is setting His seal of approval on N. A. E.

Have you yet demonstrated your interest by your support of this cause? Has your church made an offering? If not, now is the time when your help will be of especial benefit. We are in a great crusade. God needs you, we need you and you need us. CAN WE MAKE IT?

The answer is "yes"—if we all do our part.

Missionary Family Believed Lost In Clipper Crash

MIAMI, Jan. 9—Pan American Airways totaled the death list at twenty-three today, while officials sought to learn details of the crash of a ten-year-old clipper at Port of Spain, Trinidad, last night. The craft, with thirty aboard, was on its way to Leopoldville, Belgian Congo.

Only seven of the thirty aboard were counted as safe although late word from Port of Spain said that only eight bodies had been recovered.

Among those missing and presumed to be lost are Mr. and Mrs. Paul John Whitlock and their three sons, aged five, three, and two, of the Africa Inland Mission which has its headquarters in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Whitlock was from Philadelphia, and his wife from Hinsdale, N. Y. Both were graduates of the Philadelphia School of the Bible. They were returning for their second term in Belgian Congo.

Successful Meeting Of Iowa N. A. E.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Jan. 7 — The report has come through of a most interesting and successful meeting of the Iowa N. A. E. at Ottumwa held Dec. 12 and 13. Among the encouraging features was the excellent response from both the local ministers and the townspeople. With such a splendid attendance, it is not surprising to hear that several members were added to both the state and national groups.

The chief speaker was the Rev. R. L. Decker of Kansas City. His messages were lifting and inspiring and combined in a unique sense the organizational and evangelical emphasis. The friends and supporters of the N. A. E. have come to feel that

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Two Prominent Church Leaders Pass Away

(Special Wire UZA)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Jan. 13—Dr. William H. Hockman of the Moody Bible Institute passed away suddenly Monday, January 8, at his home in Wheaton, Ill. He was director of the Missions course at Moody Institute.

Dr. Harry W. Frost, formerly American director of the China Inland Mission, passed away Monday, January 8, at his apartment in Morristown, N. J. He reached his 87th birthday on January 7. Funeral will be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Princeton, N. J.

Jack Wyrtzen Now On Air Coast To Coast

NEW YORK, Jan. 14 — The Word of Life Hour will now be heard on the Pacific. A contract has just been signed by Jack Wyrtzen for the basic stations of the ABC network.

On January 7 Mr. Wyrtzen, accompanied by Larry McQuill and Glenn Wagner, left by plane for a tour of mission stations in Mexico. For twelve days they have viewed the work of the Wycliffe Translators.

They are scheduled to arrive in Dallas January 15, after which they will conduct services in St. Louis, Chicago, Wheaton, and Waterloo, Iowa.

A Report Of The Albany Minister's Fellowship Of The N. A. E.

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 9 — From Oregon we have received word of the growing activities of "The Albany Minister's Fellowship of the N. A. E. Already this group has completed the religious census of the city. It appears that each minister will follow up his own list, and that the "no preference cards" will be followed up with a letter from their Fellowship.

The Fellowship is meeting each Monday at 1 P. M. for prayer, and the strength and inspiration derived from these gatherings is already showing itself in the manifestation of a deeper life and passion for the service of Christ. The spirit of revival is in the air, the ready gift of this growing unity in the Spirit.

Plans are being made for each Evangelical body to conduct its own one week pre-Easter campaign of special meetings, thus making a concerted effort to stir the whole community at Easter time.

Members of the Albany Layman's Fellowship of the N. A. E. are most enthusiastic over the new spirit of love that has been created as the direct result of such an inter-denominational fellowship. This layman's group is planning a membership campaign after the first of the year, and the hope is entertained that a Laywoman's Fellowship may soon be organized.

NOTICE

Be sure to read in this issue a stirring article by Homer Rodeheaver on Army Camp life. Read Dr. E. J. Ockenga's article on Correspondence with Gen. George Marshall and also his Challenging Article for more chaplains. President of NAE Leslie R. Marston has written an article "Let Christians Speak."

Every article in this issue is of vital interest to you, your home, your church, and the future of America.

Air Corps For Christ

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 9—"Victory thru Air Power" has been the theme of modern warfare both in print and in practice. In this external warfare of men and machines the airplane has proven its ability to deal the death blow at the very heart of the enemy in triumphant defiance over the natural barriers and ground defenses with which opposed.

This external warfare is but the outward expression and result of the universal inward struggle constantly being waged within the heart of every individual member of the human race. The wars and discords of life are not caused by things and nations, but by people within whose hearts the "Prince of this world" has gained the victory. This is the enemy we must reach, for this is the root; the rotten core from which every evil existent in life has sprung. This is the enemy behind the enemy; the cause which produces the effect with all its torrent of human misery. The weapons of this warfare are not carnal but spiritual, demanding the personal appropriation and use of the whole armour of God. Christ alone has made provision for the power thru which we may be victorious as, by His shed blood, the sacrifice once for all for sin. He has "Broken down the middle wall of partition," giving us access thru the Holy Spirit unto the Father, that we as His children may be fellow citizens of the household of God.

Across the mighty oceans, towering mountains, sunken canyons, gorges, and raging rapids, deep within and beyond sun parched deserts, dense, tropical, fever ridden jungles, and off in the lonely Arctic wastes our arch enemy has hidden the hearts of men who have never heard this way of victory. Even where the light has blazed forth these natural barriers have hindered and delayed its illuminating power. The airplane, which has been used so effectively in raining defeat upon the physical enemy, can, as it soars easily thru God's vast, unobstructed halls of air, reach these precious hearts and souls. This time not to pierce them with the sword of hate, but to love them to God with the "Sword of the Spirit," that they too may know the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and have that victory which overcometh the world.

An Air Corps for Christ is now being formed within the Christian Church worldwide, dedicated to the realization of the tremendous possibilities and inherent advantages underlying the use of aircraft on the harvest fields of our Lord. This Christian Airmen's Missionary Fellowship is an undenominational organization established to perform a strictly interdenominational function with and for all true missionary endeavors, wherever and thru whomever they are represented. All Christian airmen (the term including men in all and every phase of the field of aviation; pilots, mechanics, radiomen, engineers, navigators, technicians of all kinds as well as administrators) whose hearts and lives are challenged, and whose vision is stirred by this great undertaking, are urged to make themselves known to the C.A.M.F. at their first opportunity. Airmen in the armed forces are especially invited to join others who have already offered their lives, talents, and abilities to Christ and His ministry; who have determined to pour into the conflict against the powers of darkness all the courage, strength, and effort that they have so readily pitted against our visible enemy which is but the product of the invisible one.

One more all important point, the Air Forces of our country and those of our allies would be virtually worthless without the rest of our armed might on both land and sea. This Air Corps for Christ also means nothing by itself, but as a unit within the Christian church, it CAN mean great accomplishments, and speed the advance of the Gospel as never before. Just as in modern warfare — there must be the most perfect team play, and the utmost in intelligent co-operation. Those of you who are actively engaged or deeply interested in missionary endeavor are therefore urged to join us in this effort; to tell us where you need air coverage the most, where the conditions are most urgent, where the enemy has hidden most deeply, and made most inaccessible, the souls we long to reach, and also giving information as to the conditions with which aircraft will be faced. We then, as workers together with God, may pierce the enemy's most formidable defenses as we "Speed the light" on the very "Wings of the wind" to those who sit in darkness.

May we all band together in a fellowship of prayer for God's abundant blessing and constant leadership in this and all missionary endeavors.

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Missionary Plane Purchased By Assemblies

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Jan. 10—The greatest year of missionary work in the history of the Assemblies of God is the record for 1944. Missionary receipts were well over a million dollars. Between 70 and 80 missionaries have been sent to the field in spite of the difficulties of war and travel restrictions.

The Assemblies has purchased the first of a proposed fleet of missionary planes. This is an amphibian for work in West Africa. A motor launch for inland transportation has also been procured.

Wheaton College Plans Centenary Building Program

WHEATON, Ill., Jan. 1—Plans are under way for important plant additions at Wheaton College to be carried through in connection with three centennial observances which will be celebrated in the near future. These include:

1948—100th anniversary of the birth of Charles Albert Blanchard. The program calls for the completion of the memorial Student Center and progress on the men's and women's dormitories.

1953—100th anniversary of the founding of the Illinois Institute (Academy). By this time all proposed dormitories will, it is hoped, be completed.

1960—100th anniversary of the founding of Wheaton College. The goal will be the completion of science, library, and music buildings, together with a new heating plant serving all buildings.

For the fall semester the enrolment was 1208, of which 842 were women and 366 were men.

Go-To-Sunday School Campaign Proves Successful

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 3 (RNS)—A "Go-to-Sunday School" campaign recently sponsored here by local churches proved "highly successful" and will be repeated next fall, officials announced. Intended to combat juvenile delinquency, the drive was publicized through newspapers, radio, and other channels.

Thirteen churches reported an increase of 15 to 72 per cent in Sunday school attendance as a result of the campaign. Highest gains were shown by the United Lutheran Church. Four churches, reporting on only two Sundays, had increases of from 22 to 33 per cent.

Motion Picture To Portray History Of Southern Baptists

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 2 (RNS)—Production of a motion picture, "The Romance of a Century," portraying the history of Southern Baptists has been approved by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention as part of the Convention's centennial celebration in 1945.

Walter M. Gilmore, publicity director for the Convention, said that the production, estimated to cost $50,000, will be financed by the Convention's Sunday School Board, and the premier showing will be given in Atlanta, Ga., May 8, at the opening of the Centennial Convention.

Script for "The Romance of a Century" was prepared by Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta. It graphically presents the principal episode in Southern Baptist history since the convention's organization at Augusta, Ga., May 8, 1845.

Lt.-Gen. Sir William Dobbie To Tour U. S. And Canada

CHICAGO, Jan. 10, 1945 — Lt. Gen. Sir William G. S. Dobbie, famed defender of Malta, accompanied by Lady Dobbie, is making a coast-to-coast tour of principal cities of the United States and Canada, under the auspices of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

Governor and commander-in-chief of the rugged mid-Mediterranean island fortress during some of the darkest days of British history, General Dobbie is credited with saving the "most bombed spot on earth."

The General and his wife, who stayed faithfully at his side, experienced more than 2,300 air raids in the two year siege. Devout believers, they will tell their American audiences the epochal story of God's deliverance. Their tour is designed primarily to reach men and women in social and professional circles. However, city-wide meetings are planned for many centers. Here is their itinerary:

Jan. 27, Washington, D.C.; Feb. 3, Moline, Ill.; Feb. 5-11, Chicago; Feb. 13, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Feb. 14-19, Toronto; Feb. 20, London, Ont.; Feb. 21, Hamilton, Ont.; Feb. 22, Toronto; Feb. 24-25, Montreal; Feb. 26, 27, Ottawa; Mar. 1, Kingston, Ont.; Mar. 6, 7, Pittsburgh; Mar. 9, New York; Mar. 10-12, Buffalo; Mar. 14, 15, Harrisburg; Mar. 17, Lancaster; Mar. 18, 19, Philadelphia; Mar. 21, 22, Baltimore; Mar. 25, Norristown; Mar. 26, Philadelphia.

The following dates are tentative: Apr. 3, 4, Louisville; Apr. 5, 6, Nashville; Apr. 7, 8, St. Louis; Apr. 10, 11, Kansas City; Apr. 12, 13, Minneapolis-St. Paul; Apr. 14-16, Billings, Mont.; Apr. 18-21, Vancouver, B. C.; Apr. 23-24, Victoria; Apr. 25, 26, Seattle; Apr. 27, 28, Tacoma; Apr. 29, 30, Portland; May 2, 3, Oakland - San Francisco; May 4, San Jose; May 5, 6, Los Angeles.

General Dobbie, colonel commandant of the Royal Engineers since 1940, was born in 1879 in Madras, India. He was educated at Charterhouse School, London, and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.

He took part in the South African War, and was stationed for awhile in Bermuda and Ireland. Serving in France and Belgium during all of World War I, he gained a permanent place in history—literally stopping a war—when he ordered the British armies to cease fighting November 11, 1918.

For his distinguished service he was awarded the D.S.O. and C.M.G., and was mentioned in dispatches seven times. He also received the Legion of Honor (France) and the Order of Leopold (Belgium), besides the French and Belgian Croix de Guerre. He was twice honored by the British king, being made Knight Commander of the Bath in 1941, and Knight Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George in 1942.

After service with the Army of Occupation in Germany, he was assigned to duties in Egypt, Palestine, and Malaya. Although he retired in 1939, when World War II broke out in Europe he immediately offered his services to his country and was assigned to Malta, April, 1940.

In 1904 he married Sybil Orde-Browne. Their older son, Major A. W. G. Dobbie, Royal Engineers, was killed while serving in Italy, June, 1944. Their younger son, Major O. C. S. Dobbie, R.A., is now serving in Italy. A daughter, author of Grace Under Malta, is married to Major P. E. Johnston, R.A., who is serving in East Africa.

Methodist Groups Discuss Merger Proposals

WINONA LAKE, Ind., Jan. 8 (RNS)—Progress toward a proposed merger of the Free Methodist and Wesleyan Methodist denominations was made here at a meeting of a joint commission representing the two denominations.

Sessions were concerned principally with hearing initial reports of committees appointed to study specific problems involved in any plan of eventual merger. Report of the committee on ordination was approved as a basis for a policy of ordination.

The commission declared that the problems involved in a merger fall into three groups: (1) Doctrine, (2) Conduct, (3) Polity. "On the first two we are in essential agreement," the commission said, adding that this leaves "the area of church polity" as its principal concern.

The joint commission approved reports by the Committees on Church Schools and Ministerial Placement. These reports will be the basis for further consideration at the next meeting of the commission at Indianapolis on April 3, 1945.

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Let Christians Speak

By Leslie R. Marston, Bishop, Free Methodist Church and President of the National Association of Evangelicals.

The following I report to Christian America with deep regret. It is against my constitutional optimism to "view with alarm" or to magnify the "evils of the day." But I cannot blink facts, and some facts which come into my possession bring an appalling responsibility which I must share with fellow Christians.

A letter reaches me from a distant out-post of our far-flung battle lines. The writer of the letter is an experienced army chaplain of unquestioned integrity. Our correspondence has extended over a considerable period of time and never before has he been critical or severe in his comments. He is a sane man, a moderate man, with a wholesome outlook on the world, the army, his work.

Before giving his letter, I quote the estimate of him by a fellow-officer, not a chaplain, who was invalided home and upon arrival wrote the chaplain's wife as follows:

"We've many times ducked into the same fox hole during air raids day and night. Also, whenever we could sneak away, we'd jeep into the jungle, and then again we'd explore the coast as far as we could. Many unusual experiences were ours, and our association, I am sure, made it easier for us to put up with the stinking heat, the vermin, the Japs, the chow, dehydrated potatoes and all that. Both of us got malaria, and I've seen that man of your's preach seven or eight services of a Sunday when he had a fever and could hardly drag around.

"He is by no means a rock-ribbed preacher. He is a soldier's chaplain, and Sunday after Sunday I have seen men, lots of them, walk long distances to hear him. He is a humble, hard-working man, and there are very few I know whom I think more of. He makes friends everywhere."

Such is the man who writes, under date of December 1, 1944, the following:

"Perhaps I would not be writing you so soon again, except that at present my mood is one of disgust... Within a stone's throw from where I sit this evening in my office is the open air theater. This evening there is a USO show in progress. Most of the [illegible] are those of women entertainers. A few moments ago a [illegible] from a woman's voice came [illegible] thru the loud speaker, which was the most vile, obscene thing I have ever heard. In [illegible] language she is [illegible] trying to describe why she wants to get married. At the close of it the [illegible] were the [illegible] "Man, you could all get twenty years for what you are thinking" and then lets out a raucous, vulgar laugh. If what I hear as I sit here trying to write this letter is a fair example of the modern [illegible], society is truly in a pitiable state. After one has been around army camps as long as I have they know something of conditions and mental attitudes of depraved humanity, but in all my life my ears have never been forced to listen to more obscene, suggestive, degrading prattle than these female entertainers are blatting over the air.

"It is a travesty on American citizenship that its people are asked to support an institution that will send to its soldiers such type of entertainment. It only tends to increase the moral frustration that is already defeating the lives of too many soldiers. (How such cooperating bodies as the YMCA and Salvation Army can have anything to do with countenancing such rot is beyond my comprehension.) It is an insult to God Almighty and human intelligence. My heart is sick over it. Sodom and Gomorrah would blush with shame if they were forced to sit and listen to such obscenity.

"The most severe shock of it all is that the shrieks of laughter from the audience are more pronounced among the Wacs than the men. This does not mean that all of the Wacs and soldiers are on the wrong track, for there are many fine Christians among them. It does mean, however, that unless certain current tendencies are checked by either public opinion or a mighty revival the [illegible] will be ruined. If the [illegible] of this vile "female entertainment" that is cursing our army camps everywhere were generally known among our American citizenry certainly there are individuals and organizations that would militantly protest its continuance.

"Once before I went to a Special Service Officer with a protest and he informed me that there was nothing that could be done, for all programs by agencies entertaining troops were censored in Washington before being allowed to go over seas. If the Washington censors O.K.'d programs they had to be considered acceptable in this theatre.

"While it may be wise to delete my name for the time being if any of the above statements are either used orally or printed, yet I trust that [illegible] there will go a word of warning to Christians who feel duty bound to be patriotic and support the USO who are hiring entertainers to exude their mental filth upon the personnel of our armed forces.

"Trusting that my next letter to you will have a more cheerful note, and one of victory, I remain. . ."

God have mercy on our brave boys who are subjected to such seductive influences under official sanction in the presence of their loneliness and heart-hunger for home! God have mercy on those at home who support, actively with funds or passively by moral indifference, the official agencies of such rot! LET CHRISTIANS SPEAK!

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was one sponsored by the "Christ for Cleveland" committee with Gil Dodds, world famous runner, as the guest speaker. Twenty-one hundred persons were present. Answering the challenging appeal of Horace F. Dean, president of Christ for America, more than 1,000 persons pledged themselves that night to begin praying daily for a mighty revival in their city. Christians everywhere are urged to join them in praying for a tremendous spiritual awakening in this great Ohio city.

Also during February a "Christ for Pontiac" campaign will be launched under the direction of the "Christ for Pontiac" committee uniting 25 or more churches of this industrial Michigan city of 100,000 souls. D. Bruce Moore is the general chairman with Floyd F. Miller as executive secretary. This campaign was developed during the early summer months of 1944 and has grown out of much earnest prayer. The ministers of the city are combined with the Christian laymen of the Lantern Club of Pontiac and these business men have recently raised funds to renovate a fine old tabernacle seating 2,000 at the heart of town where the meetings will be centered.

The dates for the campaign are Feb. 11 to March 4, and the Evangelist will be Dr. Joe Henry Hankins of Pine Bluff, Ark. As in the case of Cleveland, this campaign has been developed under the guidance of Christ for America, adopting the plan described in a book by the same name published by Fleming H. Revell Company of New York and prepared by Mr. Horace Dean in company with Evangelist Hyman Appelman and George T. B. Davis of the Million Testaments Campaign.

Urgent Call For Chaplains

Naval Chaplains Needed To Man Fleet

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 12, 1945— Capt. R. D. Workman, director of the Chaplain's Division of the United States Navy has sent out a call for new chaplains. He has written to Dr. Harold John Ockenga, chairman of the Chaplains Commission of The National Association of Evangelicals saying: "The need, as we see it at this moment, is for five additional chaplains from the denomination whom you represent in the matter of forwarding ecclesiastical endorsements. These five are needed before July 1, 1945. That figure represents our urgent minimum need. Requirements for appointment remain unchanged, but we are confident that there are more than enough interested clergymen in your group, who can meet these requirements and then qualify for an early appointment."

At the present time the National Association Commission is in a position to qualify nine chaplains for the United States Navy which is in need of approximately a thousand chaplains in the next six months.

The duties of the navy chaplain are primarily religious. There are additional duties, however, which fall to the lot of the navy chaplain and which give him a definite opportunity to make contacts with the men so as to serve them spiritually as well as in those additional matters which pertain to the mental, moral and physical welfare of the personnel of the navy.

The religious duties include the holding of Divine services, baptisms, marriages, funerals, the conducting of Sunday Schools, Bible classes and giving of religious instruction, the visitation of the sick and imprisoned, conferences, consultations with individuals and other spiritual duties.

The additional duties "may" include supervision of ship or station libraries, correspondence with relatives of personnel, assistance with educational activities, athletics, recreation and motion pictures, supervision of sightseeing parties, entertainments, ship dances (optional), Christmas parties, [illegible] or contributing to the ship or station paper, cooperation with social and welfare agencies, [illegible] work with the families of the men.

This demands a man of exceptional ability, of real consecration, of preaching power, with understanding and real experience.

The candidate therefore is required to meet the following tests: He must be a citizen of the United States, be fully ordained in the church he represents and be in the active ministry (an application is eligible for consideration for appointment, however, immediately upon graduation from theological seminary if he is ordained). The candidate shall not have passed his forty-fifth birthday. He must be endorsed by the official authorities of his own denomination. He must have completed four years of college or university work and have completed three additional years of theological work in an accredited institution. This means that 120 semester hours of work must have been completed in the college and 90 semester hours of work in the theological seminary which credits must not be duplicated. The seminary credits must be in addition to the college credit.

If any wish to apply for certification the procedure is as follows: Obtain an application blank from the office of Naval Procurement from the district in which you reside. Make your application in triplicate and file it at the office of Naval Officer Procurement in your area. This office will arrange for your physical examination and process your application. If you are a member of a denomination obtain the necessary ecclesiastical approval and endorsement, but if you are an independent get the endorsement of your own official board, then send your application to Dr. Harold John Ockenga, 120 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass., Chairman of the Committee on Chaplains in the Army and Navy.

Pray about this and then act. Do not let the Evangelicals be wanting in serving the armed forces of the nation.

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Russian Evangelicals To Publish Magazine

MOSCOW (By Wireless)—Jan. (RNS) — The newly-formed All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians and Baptists of the U.S.S.R. is planning to publish an official magazine after the war, Jacob Zhidkov, council chairman, disclosed here. The council also expects, he said, to print a special canonical Bible for use by Evangelical believers.

Reporting on a recent tour of Evangelical centers in the Ukraine, White Russia, and the Crimea, the Council chairman declared that most religious communities in these areas were broken up by the Germans and many churches destroyed. Efforts to relieve distress in the war — affected areas are being aided, he said, through a special fund set up by the Evangelists and Baptists.

Stressing the significance of the new All-Union Council, Zhidkov recalled that the first Evangelical parishes in Russia were established during the reign of Empress Catherine, but prior to 1917, parishioners were persecuted or discriminated against and frequently prevented from making contacts with each other. When Evangelicals met in 1884 to form a union, the conference was broken up by the police, he said.

"Now," Zhidkov commented, "we are able to unite and worship freely."

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MUST KNOW CHRIST

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[illegible] and morals, that they have lost sight of the importance of righteousness and morals. They forget that "righteousness exalteth a nation," that we can not have high morale with low morals.

We lost the services of more than 100,000 men during the first World War more through low morals than through the bullets of the enemy. One chaplain wanted a religious meeting. His colonel said no. He could not have it until this colonel was moved.

Four chaplains joined forces for a great meeting. They had two men come a long distance, *but a minor officer called for an inspection that blocked the meeting.*

Is there a solution to the problem? Yes.

Have one great "Chaplain's Week" in each camp every three months, with three or four days of definite evangelistic effort. Make it so big and interesting that the boys will want to come. Organize a big chorus of soldiers. Bring in a good song leader and one of the outstanding evangelistic preachers of the country; all this, of course, with the approval and co-operation of the chaplains.

Turn over to them for those three or four days the largest theater or field house. Send the band to play. See that the commanding officer and his staff are there. This would give the chaplains prestige and standing among officers and men. It would start a revival that would raise morale and efficiency—carry on through war days in all countries and back into our homeland when the boys return.

NOTHING FROM THE PRESIDENT

You say, "That is a great idea; why don't you suggest it to our officials?" I have. I tried to get conferences to present it; wrote to the President; General Marshall, Chief of Staff; General Osborne, head of Morale Division; General Arnold, Chief Chaplain of the Army.

Nothing from the President. General Marshall wrote me a gracious, courteous letter; referred it to the Chief Chaplain. [illegible]

[illegible] their faith. The Chief Chaplain agreed with me about the need, but nothing has been done about it.

Both General Marshall and General Arnold referred to the Federal Council of Churches as being in charge of selection of chaplains and extra religious activities in the camps. When I reminded them, they seemed to know that the Federal Council does not represent the leading evangelistic churches or preachers of the country.

When one commanding officer refused to allow his chaplain to have a special meeting and I mentioned it to Dr. Reder of the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council, he said, "The commanding officer acted according to the understanding at the Chief Chaplain's office; namely, that whatever *Protestant* special

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Seek Legislation To Legalize Church Bingo

MADISON, Wisc., Jan. 2 (RNS) —Amendment of the state constitution to legalize bingo promoted by patriotic, religious, and fraternal organizations will be sought in the Legislature by the newly-organized Bingo Legalizing Corporation of Wisconsin, initiated by a group of rural volunteer fire departments.

Bingo has been an issue in Wisconsin for many years, and following recent decrees of the state Supreme Court, law enforcement officers have virtually eliminated the game throughout the state. All previous attempts to legalize bingo in legislative sessions have failed.

Two successive Legislatures must approve an amendment in identical form, and subsequently it must win approval of the voters in a popular referendum. Thus bingo legalization in Wisconsin could not be attained until midsummer of 1947 at the earliest.

The Question Answered

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Evangelicals and with the full collaboration of Bishop Leslie Marston, the president of that organization.

For some time we have been shocked by the failure of the government to permit any aggressive evangelistic and preaching ministry among the soldiers abroad. Some work has been done in the camps of this country through the Federal Council Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, but nothing has been done abroad. Dr. William Barrow Pugh and Dr. Daniel Poling took inspection trips, but they were not preaching trips. This is from the Protestant viewpoint.

On the other hand, Archbishop Spellman has made trips with every facility put at his disposal by the Army and has preached to tremendous multitudes of soldiers throughout Europe, Africa and the Near East, this in spite of the fact that only 33 per cent of the men in the service are Catholics. [illegible] per cent [illegible] and the remainder are either active or potential Protestants, for it is obvious that the potential Catholics are all included in the 33 per cent.

The chairman of our committee, Mr. Homer Rodeheaver, has interviewed General Arnold, chief of chaplains, with the request that such work be initiated. His request was refused. I myself have suggested to Dr. William Barrow Pugh that the commission from the Federal Council and the commission of the National Association unite in requesting such evangelistic missions to the various fronts.

His response was, "There is also the situation with reference to the government. Some time ago I suggested the sending of capable ministers to various areas. Unfortunately, however, there was no response to this suggestion.

"The government maintains that in its provisions of the chaplaincy it is meeting the spiritual ministry to men. The fact that the chaplains themselves need help and spiritual uplift does not seem to be taken into consideration."

Dr. Pugh's experience confirms our own.

Yet in the face of this, I have in my possession letters from various parts of the world reflecting the appalling moral conditions among the men, this from India, from China, from the Persian Gulf Command and from the islands of the Pacific. Let me quote to you several paragraphs from the letter of one chaplain:

"Perhaps I would not be willing [illegible]

[illegible] ing such act is beyond my comprehension. It is an insult to God Almighty and human intelligence. My heart is sick over it. Sodom and Gomorrah would blush with shame if they were forced to sit and listen to such obscenity.

"The most severe shock of it all is that the outbursts of laughter from the audiences are more pronounced among the WACS than the men. This does not mean that all of the WACS and soldiers are on the wrong track, for there are many fine Christians among them. It does mean, however, that unless certain current tendencies are checked by either public opinion or a mighty revival the moral worth of our nation will be ruined. If the plague of this vile 'morale entertainment' that is cursing our Army camps everywhere are generally known among our American citizenry, certainly there are individuals and organizations that would militantly protest its continuance.

"Once before I went to a special service officer with a protest and he informed me that there was nothing that could be done, for all programs by agencies entertaining troops were censored in Washington before being allowed to go overseas. If the Washington censors O.K.'d programs they had to be considered acceptable in this theatre.

"While it may be wise to delete my name for the time being. If any of the above statements are either used or published, yet I trust that from some source there will go a word of warning to Christians [illegible] feel duty bound to be [illegible] and support the USO [illegible] hiring entertainers to [illegible] their mental filth upon the personnel of our armed forces.

"Trusting that my next [illegible] to you will have a more [illegible] note, and one of victory, I remain, ——————."

Now General Marshall, [illegible] we request is the right to [illegible] such evangelistic bands of able and seasoned preachers and musicians to some of the various battle fronts to minister to these men who are in desperate need. If the Army [illegible] permit entertainers of the [illegible] est type to corrupt our boys, the Army ought also to permit representatives of decent [illegible] to do something constructive for the benefit of these young [illegible].

I respectfully submit that [illegible] we are turned down by your office, we will initiate a campaign of publicity on this matter quoting from actual letters from [illegible] all over the world, which certainly will not help the morale of the civilians who are supposed to support the war effort. May I hear from you immediately.

Very truly yours,
Signed: H. J. Ockenga

General Marshall's Reply to Dr. Ockenga

War Department
Office of the Chief of Staff
Washington 25, D. C.
January [illegible]

Dear Dr. Ockenga:

I have your letter of December 26th requesting permission for the War Department to [illegible] evangelistic bands to visit battle fronts and concerning the type of entertainment presented in USO shows.

Archbishop Spellman's [illegible] was primarily of the same [illegible] as that of Dr. Pugh and had [illegible] encouragement and guidance [illegible] chaplains as its chief [illegible]. While he preached to [illegible] groups of soldiers on a few occasions, this practice was [illegible] general and Dr. Pugh might have done the same if the time at his disposal and the local situation had permitted.

Chaplains on duty with the troops represent all varieties of religious emphasis and method. Those who use evangelistic methods are not hampered in organizing evangelistic [illegible] ments and services co-operatively or as individuals. Should the War Department give special facilities and assistance to evangelistic groups, it would be interpreted as discrimination [illegible] those who desire to give a similar special emphasis to liturgy or other distinctive points of view.

The complete script of every USO show must be approved before the show can be presented and all entertainers are pledged not to depart from the approved text. However, there have been some instances in which [illegible] have introduced material [illegible]

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... was the condition H. E. ..., U. S. N., found me in ... the U. S. S. Enterprise ... me how Christ had ... him and invited me to ... with him that Friday ... Rev. E. E. Fullerton was ... the message at the ... Gospel Tabernacle at San ... Calif., and I was saved ...ight, praise God forever. ... took H. D. Coker, U. S. ... us the following week ... too was saved.

... gave us a hunger for His ... we knew nothing of the ... promises that are for ... we started a little Bible ... three. Two other sailors ...ed the first two weeks, ... a preacher and the ... teacher in the Y. M. C. A. ...athered in an open com... on the ship and our ... threw dishpans and ... the hatch. We con... to sing choruses, pray ... the word.

... months later Eberwein ... other Christian who ... helping us was trans... leaving Coker and my... carry on the work. We ... Bremeston, Wash., at ... for overhaul period ... was through the instruc... guiding of Rev. Wm. ... that Herman Coker ... able to carry on. He ... a Spiritual Father to us ... opening his home to ... God blessed us and ... us for a work that was ...

... an answer to prayer ... permitted to use one of ... rooms, used by the pi... each week. My en... was to end Dec. 7, 1941, ... and I planned to ... School as the call of ... on our lives. The Japa... our plans and it ... to say "I do" again to ... for four more years. ... to attend school, we ... the next best and real... for God aboard the ship. ... beginning of the war ... to twelve attend-ing the services and we received great comfort from the Lord those first few months as submarines were rather plentiful and our Pacific Fleet was small.

From the beginning our task force took the offensive and it seemed we were hitting the enemy all over the Southwest Pacific. When it seems that we have a long life ahead it's easy to say that we'll put off making our peace with God until we grow older but when the bombs begin to rock the ship and subs are all around, one's thoughts turn to God; thus our attendance began to grow. Men who never prayed before were not ashamed to pray now.

In June 1942 I received orders to attend Chief Commissary Steward School in San Diego and Herman took complete charge of the Bible class. Just before leaving the fellows, I remained after service one evening and God filled me with the blessed Holy Spirit aboard ship in the ready room. It was hard to say goodbye to the boys as we had grown to love each other very much as we walked with the Lord.

Herman did a commendable job while I was away and I was very pleased to see 33 at the service the evening I returned. I was asked to speak, which I did, and six asked me to pray with them that they might be saved. There is no greater pleasure than praying a young man through to God.

We met new faces that evening, one being Merle Young, the new chaplain whose co-operation the following months was very helpful. He opened the library to us three times each week as the former place had become too small. Also had a portable organ and a faithful Negro organist. We ordered new song books and figured fifty would be plenty. It was, but two had to look at the same book.

Many were saved during battle and it wasn't just for the time being as they are still serving the Lord. While we were out on the front line other ships allowed church parties to come to our Bible class and the fellowship was dear to us. We were especially privileged to have a soloist named Wesley. The library would seat 50 and 30 were able to stand during the service. Others stood outside and some were turned away on Sunday evening. What is outstanding to me is how the fellows were willing to stand the tropical heat during the meeting, but they were hungry for the Word of God.

Herman was teaching the Friday evening Bible class, while one of the young converts brought the Tuesday evening lesson, and I brought the Sunday evangelistic message. The work had become a real evangelistic church aboard the outstanding ship of the fleet.

From the beginning God gave us a burden for foreign missions so we had a missionary offering each month. The first one was $10. The largest one was, I believe, $320. During the year of 1942 we sent $2,[illegible] to mission work, except for $150 that went to the Gideon Society.

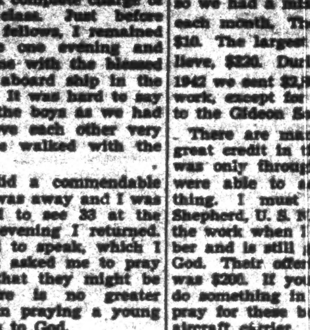
There are many who deserve great credit in the work, but it was only through God that we were able to accomplish anything. I must mention T. L. Shepherd, U. S. N., who took over the work when I left in November and is still going strong for God. Their offering last month was $200. If you would like to do something in the war effort, pray for these boys aboard this aircraft carrier.

M. F. Funderburk,

Chief, U. S. N.

More Religious Associates Groups To Be Formed

NEW YORK, Jan. 3, (RNS)—Religious Associates groups of the National Citizens Political Action Committee will be formed this month in Chicago, Detroit, and Boston, Dr. Dwight J. Bradley, secretary of the Associates said here. The organization has about 250 members nationally, according to Dr. Bradley.



Dobbie Of Malta Fame Heads List Of Speakers at Moody Founder's Week Conf.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10, 1945 — Lt. Gen. Sir William G. S. Dobbie, who attained world fame as the defender of Malta and Lady Dobbie will top the list of speakers for the thirty-sixth annual Founder's Week Conference, Feb. 5 to 11, at Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. The conference commemorates the birth date of D. L. Moody, renowned evangelist and founder of the Institute.

Daytime sessions, beginning at 8:30 A. M. will be held in Torrey-Gray Auditorium, 830 N. LaSalle Street. Sunday afternoon and all evening meetings will be held in Moody Memorial Church, Clark Street and North Avenue.

The appearance of the high ranking British general at Founder's Week Conference is made more significant by the announcement of Dr. Will H. Houghton, Institute president, of the American tour which is being arranged for Gen. Dobbie immediately following the conference, under Institute auspices.

"Gen. Dobbie is a world-famous military figure and an outstanding Christian," said Dr. Houghton "and he has a story to tell that should be of interest to everyone, including those in military and governmental circles."

During the Malta siege, the general's unwavering faith and his firm Christian testimony won the respect of his own soldiers and Malta civilians. Even during the days of the most severe bombing, he held regular Bible classes for his men.

Lady Dobbie, who has shared with her husband many of the hardships of his long military career, is described as an able speaker in her own right, and is being scheduled for special meetings during the tour, as well as for addresses during Founder's Week Conference.

Among the other conference speakers are Rev. Ralph T. Davis, general secretary of the Africa Inland Mission; Dr. Martin R. De Haan, noted radio network preacher and Bible teacher of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Dr. Charles L. Feinberg, of Dallas Theological Seminary faculty; Dr. Edic Frylenburg, evangelist and missionary to South India; Dr. H. A. Ironside, pastor of Moody Memorial Church, Chicago; Commander [illegible] of [illegible], Quito, Ecuador; Dr. John G. Mitchell, on the faculty of Multnomah School of the Bible, Portland, Ore.; Irwin A. Moon, widely known preacher-scientist of Los Angeles, Calif.; Rev. Robert B. Munger, pastor of [illegible] Hollywood Presbyterian Church, Hollywood, Calif.; Erling C. Olsen, New York investment executive; Dr. W. L. Pettingill, internationally known Bible expositor; Rev. W. E. Pietsch, radio evangelist of Waterloo, Iowa; Dr. Harry Rimmer, colorful defender of the Bible's veracity; Dr. Paul W. Rood, president of the World Christian Fundamentals Association, Inc.; Rev. Frank C. Torrey, pastor of Lancaster, Pa.; Dr. Harry vom Bruch, evangelist; Dr. C. J. Woodbridge, former missionary, now pastor in Salisbury, N. C.; Dr. William Culbertson, dean of the Institute; Dr. H. L. Lundquist, Dr. Max I. Reich, and Dr. Wilbur M. Smith, of the Institute faculty. Dr. Houghton will preside at most of the sessions.

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5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

THE U. S. O.

The writer would call special attention to an article appearing in this issue entitled: "LET CHRISTIANS SPEAK." Because of the ugly facts revealed, it seems imperative that the public be given the fullest information possible in such matters. If such things are so, then they should be made known, for it is time to speak, and that from the housetops.

The mothers and the fathers of our boys, not to speak of the young wives and sweethearts, are making great sacrifices in sending their lads to the battle-zones to take their part and place in this bloody conflict, and yet because of their devotion to God and to Country, they send them off with a smile. In the face of such sacrifices, however, they are entitled to know that Uncle Sam will do his best for the physical and moral health of our youth. These boys were not sent off to have their minds soiled and their lives polluted by an agency which poses as the friend of the soldier, and which makes bold to appeal to a generous public for its support.

In the name of all that is decent, and in the name of common honesty, let the USO explain why public funds should be used to bring entertainment that is an offence to the ears of decent folks and which must serve to corrupt the hearts of boys who find themselves in circumstances which call for an atmosphere which is uplifting and strengthening rather than degrading.

If what this chaplain reports is a fair example of the entertainment that is being provided for our boys (many of whom come from Christian homes and from a Christian environment) we have a right to ask that something be done to expose this rottenness that is parading in the guise of entertainment by an agency that shouts so loudly concerning its great (?) ministry, and cries so insistently for financial support, and which in reality (in this relationship) is proving itself a liability in place of an asset.

As this writer declares, such programs can only tend to increase the moral frustration that is already defeating the lives of too many of our soldiers. Surely the YMCA and the YWCA and the Salvation Army cannot possibly give their endorsement to such filth offered as an entertainment feature?

May we remind our army authorities, and those responsible for the granting of permission for such shows, that the people back home are calling for an explanation of these things, and because of the disquieting reports that are reaching some of them through letters from the boys, they are in no mood for any "hush, hush" policy to be pursued "for the sake of the war effort." This is a matter that is vitally related to the war effort, and one also that is bound up with the coming days of peace.

Charles G. E. Chilton

OUR RADIO SURVEY

The practical results of our recent survey of religious broadcasting, which appeared in our issue of November 1, will be evident during the coming months as broadcasters study the report and make use of it in their own interests. It provides a most useful yardstick for the measurement of the cooperation which religion is receiving from local stations.

In 1941 Professor Paul F. Lazarsfeld of Columbia University made a similar survey of the use of radio time which, however, covered all types of programs. We understand that about 200 stations were included. The survey gives the following tabulation of the division of time between various types of broadcasting:

Entertainment	70%
Educational	13%
Religious	5.7%
Agricultural	4%
Fraternal	1%
Miscellaneous	6.3%

It is interesting to note that our survey, made three years later, and covering 410 commercial stations reveals that 5.78% of the station time is devoted to religion. The figures are practically the same as those of Professor Lazarsfeld.

Of this time, according to our N.A.E. survey, 2.16% is sustaining, or free, time. The other 3.62% is commercial, or paid time.

Every sponsor of a gospel program should be interested in these figures for they may reveal the fact that some stations are doing far less than their share for religion. We heard of one instance recently of a station which consistently refused to sell or give time to the churches of the community on the excuse that it was already heavily loaded with religious programs and had no room for more. A check of the situation revealed that exactly ten minutes a week was given to religion and less than 2% additional was sold—only about one third of the national average.

Such a station is taking advantage of its broadcasting privileges and is plainly violating its obligation to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity. It would seem to us that continued failure to bring its allotment of time for religion up to the national average would be justification for complaint to the Federal Communications Commission.

The National Association of Evangelicals is definitely prepared to follow through in the matter of discrimination against religion which is apparent in the policies of certain networks and stations. Announcements of interest and concern to all religious broadcasters may be expected frequently in the columns of this paper.

J. Elwin Wright

Syrian Church Delays Action On Resignation From Federal Council

NEW YORK, Jan. 3, (RNS)—The Syrian Antiochian Orthodox Church, which recently resigned from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, has modified its decision to the extent that final action will be withheld until a general vote has been taken by the heads of various Orthodox churches in this country.

This announcement was made here by Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop of the Syrian Orthodox Archdiocese of New York and All North America, following a conference with Protestant Episcopal Bishop Henry St. George Tucker, past president, and Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary, of the Federal Council of Churches.

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At this conference, Metropolitan Antony declared, Council officials pointed out that the reason advanced by the Syrian Church for withdrawing from membership—fear that the Council may sometime admit churches which do not hold the divinity of Christ as an article of faith—had been proved baseless by the action of the biennial convention last November in rejecting the membership application of the Universalist Church.

"That made the reason for my resignation invalid, but it does not, however, cancel out the resignation," the Syrian church leader stated. "That is going to be a matter for the Federated Orthodox Greek Catholic Primary Jurisdictions, which includes the Greek, Syrian, Ukrainian, Carpatho-Russian, Rumanian, and Russian Orthodox Churches, to decide."

Metropolitan Antony indicated that a decision by the Federation with regard to the Syrian Church's resignation will affect the relationship of all Orthodox bodies to the Federal Council.

The bishops affiliated with the Federation will not meet according to Metropolitan Antony, until after the All-Russian Church Council in Moscow, when, in addition to the election of a new Patriarch, many matters of vital concern to the Orthodox Church generally will be discussed. One of these matters, the Syrian prelate said, will no doubt be the affiliation of Orthodox churches with Protestant organizations such as the Federal Council of Churches.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance, December 1	$	884.77
Receipts		4,145.26
		5,030.03
Disbursements		4,953.96
	$	76.07
1944 N. A. E. Budget		$75,000.00
Received during first nine months		37,060.00
Balance needed		$37,940.00

All friends who are interested in this great movement for United Action among Evangelicals are urged to take the financial needs of the work on their hearts, praying and giving as the Lord directs.

Roving Report[illegible]

An urgent appeal [illegible] from Dr. J. Youden [illegible] tive secretary of the L[illegible] Observance Association [illegible] hand for fundamental [illegible] its library. The [illegible] doing splendid work [illegible] and deserves the support [illegible] believers. Headquarters [illegible] enwood, Buchanan [illegible] ington, Glasgow, Scotland.

Dr. Donald Grey [illegible] Tenth Presbyterian C[illegible] Philadelphia is exchang[illegible] pits with Dr. Louis T[illegible] Church of the Open D[illegible] Angeles for several w[illegible] winter.

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Historic Park Street C[illegible] Boston which was obliged [illegible] its basement to busine[illegible] for the purpose of pr[illegible] come to survive in the [illegible] cades has recently d[illegible] renew business leases. T[illegible] tenant moved out on D[illegible] 31. The space formerly [illegible] will be used for greatly [illegible] Sunday School rooms a[illegible] tional auditoriums. A [illegible] able fund is in hand fo[illegible] tions which will be made [illegible] as material is availabl[illegible]

America is fond of [illegible] ing new records for [illegible] from tallest buildings [illegible] est increases in pop[illegible] flag pole sitting and [illegible] wriggling fish. There [illegible] record, however, which [illegible] cause us to hang our [illegible] shame. In 1944 [illegible] issued for 7030 divorce[illegible] topping the 1943 record [illegible] The picture is more or [illegible] same throughout Ame[illegible] it time for a national [illegible] effort to improve the [illegible] causes leading to broken [illegible]

Winston Churchill i[illegible] dog house with a great [illegible] of people for his polici[illegible] Mediterranean area. W[illegible] help wondering why [illegible] able to pursue much m[illegible] tic policies of interferenc[illegible] internal affairs of va[illegible] tions and still avoid the [illegible] criticism of our govern[illegible] gentleman in the woodpil[illegible] colored, but a bright [illegible] this instance, we suspect.

Norwegian Mission[illegible] Leader [illegible]

STOCKHOLM (By [illegible]) Jan. 1, (RNS)—Dean [illegible] Wisloeff, 70-year-old [illegible] Norway's Inner Mission [illegible] has died in the Grini [illegible] tion camp near Oslo. [illegible] Vicar H. E. Wisloeff, [illegible] of the Norwegian [illegible] Church Council, Dean [illegible] was arrested by the G[illegible] November, 1943.

COMING EVEN[illegible]

- January 21—Chicago, [illegible] Moody Memorial Ch[illegible] ning Service—Jack Wy[illegible]
- January 23-26—New York [illegible] Annual Meeting, National [illegible] eran Council
- January 24-28—Phoenix, [illegible] Mid-winter Cabinet [illegible] Gideons.
- January 29, February 1—[illegible] bus, Ohio—Ohio Pastors [illegible] vention.
- January 30-February 1—[illegible] Ont.—Annual Meeting [illegible] Section Alliance of Pr[illegible] and Reform Churches
- January 31-February 1—[illegible] ham, Ala.—House of [illegible] Protestant Episcopal C[illegible]
- February 5-11—Founders' [illegible] Moody Bible Institute

Dr. Pettingill's Engag[illegible]

- January 21-24—Sandusky, [illegible] First Baptist Church
- January 28-31—Elmhurst, [illegible] First Baptist Church
- February 5-11—Chicago, [illegible] Founder's Week—Moody [illegible] Institute.
- February 13-15—Minne[illegible] Powderhorn Park [illegible] Church
- February 18-25—Topeka, [illegible] Topeka Bible Church
- February 27-28—Mound[illegible] —Calvary Tabernacle
- March 4-8—Birmingham, [illegible] Southeastern Bible [illegible]
- March 11-18—Miami, [illegible] ler Street Baptist Ch[illegible]
- March 23-25—New Orleans, [illegible] First Baptist Church
- March 29 to April 6—[illegible] —Baptist Tabernacle

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Youth Victory Rally At Tampa, Fla.

TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 3 — The first rally and broadcast of the Youth for Christ movement in Tampa was held on Saturday night, Sept. 16, 1944. Months of prayer and plans for launching a Youth Movement preceded this formal beginning. As far back as last March, plans were laid and in the early summer, after much prayer, some definite ideas were formulated and a tentative date was set, Sept. 16, to begin the rallies and broadcasts.

This plan and date were submitted to the Lord. Awaiting His approval, we went about our summer's work here and in the East, in special meetings in Philadelphia, Washington, Fairmont, West Virginia and ending our summer's work in Calvary Baptist Church, New York, where we had the opportunity of again witnessing Jack Wyrtzen's "Word of Life" broadcast and Youth Rally, as we had done previously when in New York.

While away in meetings last August, a crisis arose over our local Sunday broadcast, due to Mutual network's policy of no religious programs after 1:00 o'clock on Sunday. We submitted this to the Lord, then wrote the station that we would take the matter up with them as soon as we arrived home. We had our last Sunday Vespers broadcast on Sept. 10. We had many months before set Sept. 16 as the date to begin a Youth Rally. We asked the station about Saturday night time. They said they could not give it to us. We prayed again, then the station told us they had decided to take off a network news commentator and give us his time, from 10 to 10:30 on Saturday night, and at the same old price — all other programs advanced in price 30% on Sept. 15.

We began our rally on the 16th with 53 Young People. We broadcasted the last 30 minutes of the rally. Many people were waiting to see if the Youth Rally idea would work in Tampa. It did work, and we have not missed a night since Sept. 16, and we are now looking for new quarters as our auditorium at the Christian Service Center is limited to about 250 seats.

A unit of Youth for Christ was organized in Hillsborough High School here, in September. We have built the Saturday night rally largely around that group. Another unit is being organized in Jefferson High School, and plans are under way for a unit in another area, under the sponsorship of a Baptist church. Plans to organize the Greater Tampa area, Youth for Christ, are shaping up, and soon after the holidays this larger organization will take shape, using the units as a nucleus. About 20 different groups from different churches are now attending.

Our program begins at 8:30 (this is because of the late hour of our broadcast) with group singing, then special music, novelty numbers, chalk artists or other special features, then a guest speaker, followed by gospel choruses. The broadcast included a girls' chorus, a parade of personalities (in this, visiting young people are introduced and give a word of testimony), then a Bible quiz, which is varied from week to week to avoid monotony, and concludes with a Bible message by the director.

A banquet will be held Saturday night, Dec. 30. We have had to limit the attendance to 180 for lack of space. A Sunrise Easter program, with a broadcast, from a waterfront park, is being planned. Outstanding youth leaders will be brought in for the rallies during the winter months.

The Youth Victory Rally is sponsored by the executive committee of the Christian Service Center, and is composed of five ministers: one Presbyterian, two Baptist, one Methodist, and one from the Christian church. The Christian Service Center is sponsored by the Tampa Ministers' Association and supported by about 30 churches. This association is a local Evangelical Ministers' Association — not a Federal Council association. The Youth program is directed by Rev. A. A. [illegible], a Baptist minister and executive secretary of the Christian Service Center, and founder and pastor of the Tampa Gospel Center.

Baptists To Mark World Alliance Sunday, Feb. 4

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3 (RNS)—February 4 will be observed as Baptist World Alliance Sunday, with Baptists throughout the world joining in testimony and prayer, it was announced at World Alliance headquarters here.

"Never was our testimony more deeply needed than now," declared a proclamation signed by Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke of London, Alliance president, and Dr. W. O. Lewis of Washington, general secretary. "Essentially this testimony is two-fold: we stand for the Gospel, and we stand for religious freedom."

The proclamation expressed regret that while freedom from want and freedom from fear are subjects of international conferences, religious freedom is not getting "the thought and attention it needs."

It said further: "There may emerge a larger toleration after the war; in this we can rejoice, but toleration is not religious freedom. What Thomas Helwys, Roger Williams, and the Virginia Baptists demanded, and what every Baptist knows his principles demand, is the full religious freedom which is rooted in the relations of man to God and which no state can rightly suppress or limit. Whether our testimony be accepted or not, to offer it remains our high and sacred obligation."

Salvation Army Resumes Work In Liberated Holland

LONDON (by Wireless) Jan. 3 (RNS)—Banned during the German occupation, the Salvation Army is again active in liberated parts of Holland, according to Aneta, official Netherlands news agency.

Officers and soldiers of the organization have resumed meetings, and are wearing their uniforms for the first time in four years. During Christmas week, collections for the poor were taken up on the streets, the people dropping coins and bills in Salvation Army pots taken out of hiding.

Many of the organization's buildings confiscated by the Germans were cleaned and decorated with greenery and Christmas trees during the holiday.

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lar to that described in your letter, apparently under the mistaken impression that it was necessary to gain and hold attention and that the majority of soldiers prefer this type of entertainment. Whenever reliable information has been given to the director of USO shows of such violations of the entertainers' pledge, the guilty players have been dismissed immediately. If persons making complaints would give specific information of the offending person and material to the proper authorities, such improprieties would not be tolerated.

I sincerely hope that this information will provide the understanding you desired of the War Department policy concerning the matters you mentioned.

Faithfully yours,
Signed: G. Marshall.

Reverend H. J. Ockenga,
Park Street Church,
Boston, Massachusetts.

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Mr. Decker is a gift to the cause, and an asset in the service and work of United Evangelical Action. His sincerity and ability serve to make him a tower of strength (in the Spirit) in the working and address of this national organization.

Dr. Butler of Kletzing College, University Park, Ia., was the after-dinner speaker. All in attendance came to feel that no better choice could have been made. Dr. Butler not only found the right perspective, but succeeded in creating passion and purpose in the call to united service and a united front among Evangelicals. Those present will not forget this gifted appeal in the interest of such unity.

The Kletzing college choir and male quartet, as well as fine musical groups from the local churches, brought inspirational music in the various services. All services were held in the Finley Avenue Baptist Church.

Plans are under way for an Evangelistic Conference with the Rev. Melville G. Hatcher some time in April. There is also an expressed intention of holding a State meeting at the same time in order to introduce some of the more prominent national workers in this gathering.

Under the tactful and honest approach of the Rev. R. L. Decker and others, it is felt that the walls of misunderstanding which have existed in some quarters are already being broken down as the mission (under God) of the N. A. E. is apprehended and accepted as the given instrument of United Evangelical Action. In the great cause of evangelical Christianity, it stands as the friend of all, and the enemy of none.

Chilton--

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Christ died for you." "You are made new by the blood of Christ."

Without this divine provision and the proclamation of the Saviour who is mighty to save, we must write "Icabod" over the door of the Church; for modernism is a mockery and this devitalized gospel deceiving, but the Gospel of the Saviour is nothing less than "Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God."

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